

operator of the towing vessel shall be guided by appropriate speed limitations.

(b) All open hopper type barge hulls shall be provided with coamings around the hopper space and, additionally, a 36-inch minimum height plowshare breakwater on the forward rake. Coamings shall have a minimum height of 36 inches forward graduated to a minimum height of 24 inches at midlength and 18 inches thereafter.

§ 32.63-20 Hull structure—B/ALL.

(a) *General.* In addition to complying with the requirements of § 32.60-1, as applicable, barge hulls of Types I and II shall comply with the provisions of this section.

(b) *Types I and II barge hull.* Under an assumed grounding condition such that the forward rake bulkhead rests upon a pinnacle at the water surface, the maximum hull bending stress shall not exceed the following limits:

(1) Independent tanks may be installed in such a manner that they do not contribute to the strength and stiffness of the barge. In such case, the hull stress shall not exceed either 50 percent of the minimum ultimate tensile strength of the material or 70 percent of the yield strength when specified, whichever is greater.

(2) The Commandant may consider a reduction in hull stress when independent tanks are installed in such a manner as to contribute to the strength and stiffness of the barge and this is accounted for in determining the effective section modulus of the barge. In such case, the hull stress shall not exceed the percentage stress values prescribed in paragraph (b)(1) of this section multiplied by the quantity $(1.5 - \text{SWT}/\text{UTS})$, where SWT is the stress calculated without including the effect of the tanks, and UTS is the minimum ultimate tensile strength of the material. The value SWT, however, shall in no case be more than 75 percent of UTS.

§ 32.63-25 Cargo tanks and supports—B/ALL.

(a) *General.* Saddles and hold-down securing straps for independent cargo tanks shall be designed to prevent tank

failure due to loads induced in the saddles or straps by barge deflection.

(b) *Collision protection.* (1) All independent cargo tanks installed on Type I and Type II barge hulls shall be protected with suitable collision chocks or collision straps to withstand a longitudinal collision load of one and one-half times the weight of the tank and cargo. All other independent cargo tanks shall be provided with suitable collision chocks or collision straps to withstand a longitudinal collision load equal to the weight of the tank and cargo.

(2) All cargo tanks shall be so located as to reduce the likelihood of their being damaged in the event of collision. This protection shall be obtained by locating the cargo tanks not less than 4 feet from the side shell and box-end for Type I hulls and 3 feet for Type II barge hulls, and not less than 25 feet from the headlog at the bow for both types.

(c) *Cargo tank design—(1) Types I and II barge hulls.* (i) In addition to requirements provided for in applicable regulations for a specific commodity, cargoes subject to the provisions of this subpart shall be transported in cargo tanks meeting the requirements of this paragraph. Pressure vessel-type cargo tanks shall have sufficient additional strength so as to limit the maximum combined tank stress, including saddle horn and bending stresses, to 1.5 times the maximum allowable hoop stress in still water, and to the yield strength of the tank material or 70 percent of the minimum ultimate tensile strength of the tank material, if less, in the grounded condition as required by § 32.63-20(b).

(ii) Gravity type cargo tanks shall have sufficient additional strength to limit the maximum combined tank stress, including saddle horn and bending stresses, to the yield strength of the tank material or 70 percent of the minimum ultimate tensile strength of the tank material, if less, in the grounded condition as required by § 32.63-20(b).

(2) *Type III barge hulls.* In addition to the requirements of this paragraph, pressure vessel-type cargo tanks shall have sufficient additional strength so as to limit the maximum combined

stress, including saddle horn and bending stresses, to 1.5 times the maximum allowable hoop stress.

Subpart 32.65—Hull Requirements for Tank Vessels Constructed On or After November 10, 1936, and Prior to July 1, 1951

§ 32.65-1 Application—TB/ALL.

The requirements in this subpart apply to all tank vessels, the construction or conversion of which was started on or after November 10, 1936, and prior to July 1, 1951.

§ 32.65-5 Scantlings, material, and workmanship—TB/ALL.

The hull and deck houses shall be of steel or iron construction except that the pilothouse and decks over quarters may be constructed of wood. Scantlings, material, and workmanship, subdivision of cargo spaces, fitting of cofferdams, and testing of tanks shall be at least equivalent to the requirements of the American Bureau of Shipping or other recognized classification society.

§ 32.65-10 Subdivision of cargo space—TB/ALL.

The cargo space shall be divided into tight compartments as necessary to avoid excessive stresses and to provide stability.

§ 32.65-15 Cofferdams—TB/ALL.

Tank vessels equipped to carry Grade A, B, C, or D liquids shall have their galleys, living quarters, general cargo spaces, boiler rooms, and enclosed spaces containing propelling machinery or other machinery where sources of vapor ignition are normally present, segregated from their cargo tanks by cofferdams or equivalent pumprooms, tanks, or air spaces.

§ 32.65-20 Pumprooms—TB/ALL.

(a) Tank vessels handling Grade A, B, C, or D liquids shall have their cargo pumps isolated from all sources of vapor ignition by gastight bulkheads. Totally enclosed motors of the "explosion proof" type, motors ventilated on both the intake and exhaust by ducts to atmosphere, and engines driven by

steam shall not be considered to be sources of vapor ignition. The gastight bulkhead between the pumproom and the pump-engine compartment may be pierced by fixed lights, drive shaft and pump-engine control rods, provided that the shafts and rods are fitted with stuffing boxes where they pass through the gastight bulkheads. The access to a cargo pumproom handling such liquids shall be from the open deck. (See § 32.60-20.0.)

§ 32.65-25 Living quarters—TB/ALL.

Partitions and sheathing shall be of approved fire-resistive construction.

§ 32.65-30 Tank vessels with independent tanks—TB/ALL.

Independent cargo tanks may be located in hold spaces or in other cargo tanks but in all cases a working space of at least 15 inches shall be provided around such independent tanks, or else provisions shall be made for moving them to secure such space. When independent cargo tanks are located in an enclosed space other than a cargo tank, such enclosed space shall be considered as equivalent to a pumproom, and shall be safeguarded as such, as required in the regulations in this subchapter.

§ 32.65-35 Tank vessels carrying Grade A liquids—TB/ALL.

Cargo tanks for Grade A liquids having a Reid vapor pressure in excess of 25 pounds shall be independent of the hull.

§ 32.65-40 Construction and testing of cargo tanks and bulkheads—TB/ALL.

(a) All cargo tanks to be vented at gage pressures of 4 pounds per square inch or less shall be constructed and tested as required by the requirements of the American Bureau of Shipping or other recognized classification society.

(b) All cargo tanks to be vented at gage pressures above 4 pounds per square inch shall be considered as pressure vessels and shall meet the requirements for such vessels as to construction and testing, as set forth in subchapter F (Marine Engineering) of this chapter.